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The following references have been cited in the International Phase of the aboveidentified application.

- EP 0 631 838 A1 discloses a laser machining method and laser robot for executing this method. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 14.
- U.S. Patent 4,855,565 discloses a work head device. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 14.
- WO 02/02281 A1 discloses a machine tool and a manipulator device adapted to be mounted on such machine. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 14.

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Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the following references

which have been cited in the German Priority Patent Application.

- Patent Abstracts of Japan Publication No. 04238688 discloses a laser robot control

method. No full translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language

abstract.

- DE 196 04 205 A1 discloses a laser radiation joining method. No full translation is

available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.

- DE 101 27 743 A1 discloses a device for welding doors and flaps has positioning

device with external robot axis controlled by robot controller, holding device rotatable about

external axis in common with door or flap parts. No full translation is available at this time,

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Consideration of the above references is requested.

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